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1. Aluminum foil is reported to be urgently needed by SAG Kabel for the television production program. The Soviet Control Council has ordered the first 2.9 tons of aluminum production at Bitterfeld to be reserved for Sachsenwerk SAG Kabel. It is to be delivered in foils of 1/9000 and 1/10000\*.
2. It has also been reported that a substitute for plexiglas has been perfected by a concern in Babelsberg, Brandenburg.
3. A substitute for mica is reported to have been found by a VEB concern in Weissensee\*\*. The initial tests are reported to have been satisfactory.
4. DIN 20 and DIN 40 iron powder is available in the DDR in small quantities.

\* [Redacted] Probably 1/9000 and 1/10000 of a meter in thickness.

\*\* [Redacted] Possibly the VEB Turbonit firm, formerly Scherb und Schwer.

25X1 [Redacted] Comment: The shortage of the items in paragraphs 2, 3, and 4 have been creating a severe bottleneck in DDR production.

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